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A PERFECT EIGHT-ENDER!



Sheryl Loucks/TIMES

This team of Jack Hollett lead, Marg Bull skip, Todd Grainger vice and Christine Macartney second, had never played together before a bonspiel between their Minden Curling Club and the Haliburton Curling Club last Wednesday but will never forget it after they scored an amazing eight-ender.

Minden team celebrates curler's dream

by **SHERYL LOUCKS**
Times staff

The red rock on the button surrounded by six yellow stones pre-

sented a difficult dilemma for skip Margaret Bull - how to move the opposition's rock without clearing the house of her own team's rocks.

All eyes were on Bull in a friendly bonspiel between Haliburton and Minden last Wednesday, an annual event. Bull

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Baby boomers a boon for local building industry

by **ALLISON TAYLOR**
Times staff

The development of new homes and cottages in Minden Hills is on the rise, as the number of building permits issued continues to skyrocket.

The Minden Hills building department is reporting an 86 per cent increase in the number of permits issued for new homes in 2002 over the same period the year before. In 2001 the township issued 50 permits for new dwellings, and last year gave out 93 permits, said Chief Building Official Fraser MacDonald.

That many permits for new dwellings in one year is outstanding, MacDonald said at last week's committee-of-the-whole meeting.

All categories of building permits, from improvements to new dwellings, increased over the same time period. MacDonald says the total number of permits issued in 2002 was 360. That's an increase of 29 per cent from the 279 permits issued in 2001.

Local builders, who have been run off their feet for the past few years, say development in the Haliburton Highlands has been steadily on the rise.

Dave Pentney of Minden Home Hardware & Building Supplies says there has certainly been an increase in new development and renovations over the past few years.

"We're in a good area for building," Pentney said. "People

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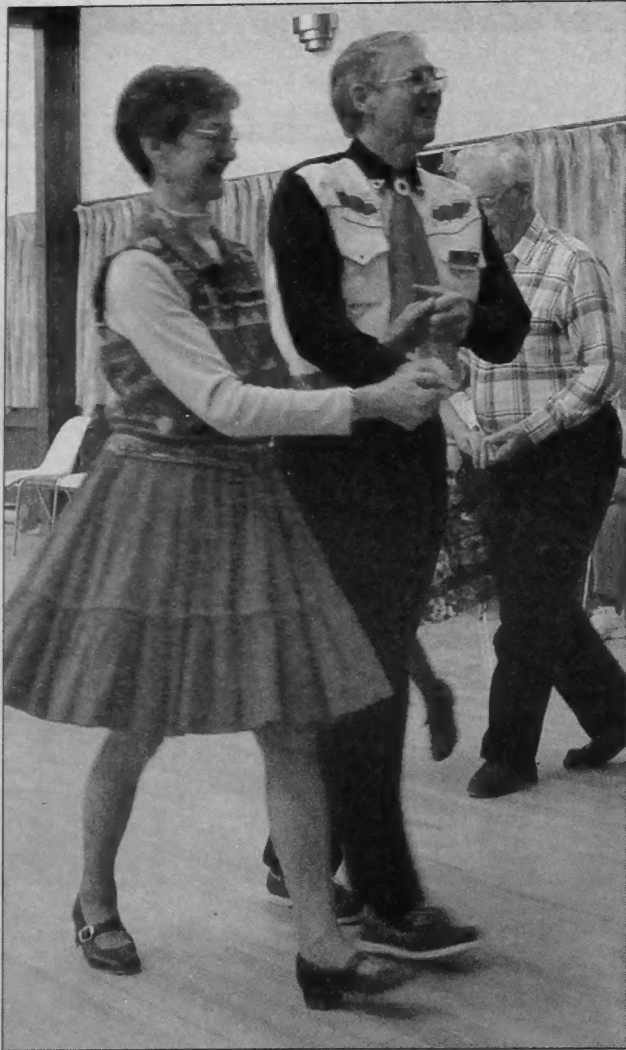


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Catherine and Gareth Kellett of Minden are incoming presidents of the Highland Twirlers.



The dances are always changing but the fun never wanes on a Thursday night upstairs at the Dysart arena.

Highland Twirlers invite new partners to join their dance

On a Thursday night at the Dysart community centre, the only thing livelier than the swirling colours of the dancers' outfits is the smile on their faces.

This Thursday, the Highland Twirlers invite you to find out what all the fun is about. They are hosting an open house starting at 7 p.m. to introduce new enthusiasts to one of their favourite recreational pastimes.

With this type of dancing, certain moves are learned and then pieced together by a caller, who keeps the

dancers on their toes. All concerns and worries are quickly forgotten as dancers get caught up with the music.

As well as the weekly dance nights, the Highland Twirlers also perform at various events throughout the county. Many Twirlers also attend annual conferences across the country.

So if you want to make friends, keep physically active and enjoy a good laugh, drop by the community centre on Thursday at 7 p.m..

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Wish to extend sincere thanks to the many individuals, churches, organizations, businesses and the Township of Minden Hills for their generous donations throughout the year and during the Christmas season. Thanks also to the many volunteers who have helped in so many ways to make this all happen. We believe there are many recipients who are grateful they live in such a generous community.



David, Julie and big brother David M of Norland are pleased to announce the arrival of their baby girl Emma Dolores born December 19, 2002 at Orillia Soldiers Memorial Hospital weighing 7 lbs, 10oz. Proud grandparents are Dolores Carriere of Penetang and Dave & Dana Lee of Norland.

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Councillor on the defensive over his mileage expenses

by ALLISON TAYLOR
Times staff

Councillor Peter Oyler was briefly put on the defensive at last week's council meeting when another councillor questioned why his mileage expenses from July to December of 2002 amounted to \$442.75 - the highest on council.

Councillor Ingram Wessell, whose expenses totaled \$264.60, asked Oyler to explain why his cheque is "so large."

In response to Wessell, Oyler said, "Quite frankly I attend more meetings and am on more committees than any other councillors."

Councillors' mileage cheques from that same period are as follows: Councillor Peter Oyler, \$442.75; Councillor Bill Obee, \$341.25; Councillor Bill Valentine, \$340.20; Councillor Ingram Wessell, \$264.60; Councillor Jim McMahon, \$192.50; Councillor Ron Buchanan, \$189.65 and Reeve Ross Rigney, \$77.

Councillors are provided with mileage expenses to and from any authorized meeting, said Deputy-Reeve Jim McMahon. "There shouldn't be a big difference. Distance will be a factor for those councillors who live farthest away."

Wessell and Valentine live the farthest away while Buchanan is the closest, McMahon said.

McMahon said there are lots of occasions when he won't mark his mileage down because he said he feels that his time and mileage should not always be subsidized by the township. The distance from McMahon's house to the township office and back is 25 km. Oyler said his round trip from home to office was 15 km.

On the phone after the meeting, Oyler said that he records his mileage as provided under the policy, and that his mileage cheque from the six-month period in 2002 also included 50 per cent of a return trip to Toronto to deal with a council-related issue - which might have been a factor in his slightly higher cheque. He agreed to pay for 50 per cent of the trip, but did not say what issue he had been dealing with.

"If you add it all up, I think you'll find I'm up to my eyeballs on committees and sub-committees," Oyler said. "If Councillor Wessell were as actively involved on council and on as many committees as other members of council his mileage would reflect the same if not more... he has to travel farther."

Rigney, who said he wasn't very diligent at keeping mileage records, said he would try harder to write down his mileage this year, as warden of the county.



Keep shovelling

As Berniece Cooper-Johnson of Lutterworth Pines knows all too well, there have only been two days in January when there hasn't been a new snowfall to shovel. It snowed every day last week, says local weather watcher Phil Graham, with the heaviest dump, 12 cm, happening on January 12. There's also been a lot of cold temperatures, the lowest on January 14 when the mercury dropped to -31°.

Two Minden staff resign in less than one month

by ALLISON TAYLOR
Times staff

The resignations of two key municipal employees in Minden Hills, in less than one month, has not caused the township to press the panic button.

Minden Reeve Ross Rigney said the recent turnover of staff has not affected the township at all, adding that there was no shortage of people willing to work at the township.

"We've lost two or three people, maybe it's about money - I don't know," Rigney said. "No one really has the answers."

A few weeks ago the township lost Public Works Superintendent Clayton Cameron, who was with the municipality for 16 years, and just last week Planning Administrator Brendan Berube resigned after a short stint at the township, citing personal reasons.

"Naturally, I don't think the municipality enjoys people leaving, but we all realize if they have an opportunity to better themselves, then they should do it. That's the way council is looking at [the recent resignations]," said CAO Gerry Morrison.

Although Cameron resigned in December, the township just recently decided it would not replace his position as Public Works Superintendent.

Rigney said the township decided to reallocate some of Cameron's responsibilities.

"We have a roads superintendent, so we have less of a need," Rigney said.

Morrison explained that the township would likely hire an environmental operations manager to manage all of the municipal buildings and be responsible for the water and wastewater treatment.

As far as the planning department is concerned, Rigney said the township will likely add another staff member to the planning department, but hasn't decided what the specific responsibilities of that individual would be. In the meantime, the township will work with a planning consultant to ensure that all the township's planning issues are dealt with.

At last week's council meeting, a few of the planning issues had to be deferred to give the planning consultant an opportunity to become more familiar with some of the files.

Despite the deferred issues, Morrison said that he wasn't expecting a backlog of work.

"Some of the management staff has agreed to take on additional responsibilities to ensure the job gets done," Morrison said, adding that those staff members did not expect to be reimbursed

or paid extra for their extra responsibilities.

"I am very pleased that so many department heads have agreed to help the municipality out," he said.

One year ago the township lost the former CAO, Tammy McKelvey, when she accepted an offer to work as Dysart et al's CAO. McKelvey's position in Minden remained vacant for nearly a year, while Treasurer Mary-Jane Irwin filled in as the acting-CAO. Irwin continued to perform her duties as the township's treasurer and acting-CAO until the township hired Morrison to become Minden's newest CAO last year.

Just before Christmas Morrison suffered a heart attack and was subsequently forced to take some time off to recover. In his absence Deputy-Clerk Twyla Nicholson stepped up to the plate as acting-CAO.

Despite the added workloads, Morrison said the recent staff changes have not put added strain on the employees. He said the staff has really pulled together.

"We are not the only municipality to lose employees," Rigney said. He said that Dysart has also had some staff turn over recently.

"It's been totally unexpected," Rigney said. "It's time to get on with life."


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Home Support seeks help

by MARTHA PERKINS
Times Staff

Haliburton County will be losing a vital resource if Haliburton County Home Support Services cannot raise the \$28,000 it needs to continue helping seniors live independently in their own homes, local councillors were told last week.

"We have services that are only provided by us," Helen Henderson told Algonquin Highlands council on Thursday. "If this organization disappears, the county would be the poorer."

When Henderson first retired to the Highlands, she started volunteering for the organization because she realized that one day she would need its services. At one point, she was president of the board and she's still actively involved with the organization.

But last year she turned 80 and as a woman who lives on her own, she's also had to use the volunteer organization's services. She receives Meals on Wheels, nutritious frozen meals at a low cost, and also wears an emergency response button from Home Support around her neck. If she falls, all she has to do is push the button and help will be on the way.

She is one of Home Support's 42 clients in Algonquin Highlands. In Dysart et al, 371 people aged 55 or older, or people with a physical handicap, benefit from at least one of Home Support's programs. In Highlands East there are 175 clients while in Minden Hills, there are 238 for a total of 826 throughout the county.

In the first nine months of the current fiscal year, demand for services has gone up 38 per cent while funding from the province has not increased, Donna Pacey-MacDonald told both Algonquin Highlands council and Minden Hills council last Thursday.

As Home Support's executive director, she was making the plea for municipal assistance. Home Support has been told by the province it must raise \$28,000 to augment \$363,000 in funding (plus \$23,000 from the Trillium Foundation to help with fundraising and volunteer recruitment.)

Last year, Minden Hills gave \$1,500 to Home Support while Dysart gave \$3,000.

On Thursday, she asked for \$1,400 from Algonquin Highlands. Minden Hills was asked for \$8,000. Highlands East was asked for \$5, 880 and a presentation to Dysart will happen on February 10.

MacDonald said the financial figures were based on the



Darren Lum/TIMES

Helen Henderson wears an emergency response device around her neck provided to her by Home Support services. Help is only a button press away for Henderson in case she falls at her home in Halls Lake. Together with the emergency response device, Henderson also receives Meals on Wheels.

number of clients in each municipality. The 238 clients in Minden equates to 28.7 per cent of the funding, or \$8,000.

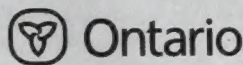
"We want to work with you to find solutions today," MacDonald said to Minden councilors at last week's council meeting. She attended the committee-of-the-whole meeting in Minden and then drove to Algonquin Highlands council with the same pitch.

No decision will be made until councils begin budget talks.

"People are worried that the supports [from Home

Support] will be there when they need them," MacDonald said. "We want to be able to bring care home to people."

As well as Meals on Wheels and the emergency response system, Home Support provides the following services: it organizes Wheels to Meals for social outings; co-ordinates volunteer drivers and pays half the 34-cents-a-kilometre mileage fee; arranges safe and reliable home maintenance help for \$12 an hour; co-ordinates a friendly visitor program, security checks and in-home respite at no cost to the client; and operates a free drop-in centre with regular recreational programs.



NOTICE COMMUNITY SELECTION

The Ministry of Community, Family and Children's Services will be holding a series of information sessions to introduce a new selection process for providers of living places for adults with developmental disabilities.

Information sessions will be of interest to current service providers in the developmental services sector including partnerships with both for profit or other non-profit providers.

All parties interested in learning more about the process to create and operate these places to live are invited to attend an information session.

Meetings will be held across the province. To attend please contact the regional office closest to you.

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Gun registration continues to be hot issue

by JERRY GROZELLE
Times staff

It is impossible to tell how many Haliburton County residents became criminals as the clock struck midnight on New Years Eve. Those who were in possession of firearms and hadn't registered them or sent some form of communication to the Canadian Firearms Centre notifying that federal government department of their intention to register their firearms are officially felons.

A few weeks before the January 1, 2003 deadline for registration, an announcement was made by the Ministry of Justice stating that those who had submitted their registration forms and who had not yet received their registration certificates would be given a six month grace period so the CFC would have time to process the forms and issue the certificates.

As the deadline loomed and a large number of people were having difficulty getting through to the CFC, either to obtain registration forms or to register their firearms online, the Justice Ministry issued another directive allowing firearms owners to submit a letter of intent to register, giving them extra time to comply with the regulations as set out in Bill C-68, the Firearms Act.

In spite of the fact that those firearms owners who hadn't registered their guns by the January 1 deadline faced criminal charges that could result in jail time, the Minden detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police didn't get a flood of people turning in their guns to avoid becoming felons.

"We only had a couple turned in," said OPP Public Relations Officer Mark McMaster. "We did have several people in the day before New Years looking for the address so they could send in their letter of intent before the deadline."

Local gunsmith Mike Grinnell says he thinks the ever changing regulations are confusing to the average gun owner. As a licensed gunsmith, Grinnell does everything in strict accordance with the laws. He is subject to inspections and he has no intention of running afoul of the law. "Everything I do is legal," he said. "But people are having a lot of problems and concerns because they don't know exactly what they are required to do. A lot of people have done nothing, hoping the situation will go away. I wouldn't want to



"The whole thing is a mess," says Mike Grinnell, who owns a gun repair business. With new gun registry requirements now in place, "I wouldn't want to guess how many Haliburton County residents you could now call criminals."

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Grinnell said he doesn't think the government has done an adequate job of informing the public, especially since the regulations seem to be constantly changing. "My biggest concern is that people could get into a lot of trouble," he said. "The whole thing is a mess. With all the changes, how can anybody be expected to know what's going on?"

Grinnell is afraid there may be some hunters who find out the hard way next fall during the deer or moose hunt that their inaction could land them in deep trouble. "Many don't know the severity of the penalties for non-compliance," he said. "Everywhere they step, they could be into a bear trap."

Besides the danger of serving jail time, those who fail to comply risk such complications as not being able to be bonded

or employment issues related to a criminal conviction. Grinnell said the costs to defend oneself in court could be as much as \$10,000.

Grinnell appreciates the craftsmanship in some firearms and he said there will be a lot of family heirloom firearms, some of which are extremely valuable, which will be destroyed because of the new regulations. Deactivation is an option for those who have no intention of hunting or shooting a firearm. But deactivation, which usually involves welding the action of a firearm so it can't be operated, renders a firearm which could be worth thousands of dollars virtually worthless.

"There are a lot of hoops you have to jump through because of the laws," Grinnell said. "Most people don't appreciate those hoops until they are faced with them."

Brian Austen of Minden is a certified firearms course instructor and examiner. He said he was very busy last fall running courses for people who needed to be licensed so they could register their firearms. A Possession Only Licence (POL), Possession and Acquisition Licence (PAL) or a Firearms Acquisition Certificate (FAC) is required for anyone to own or even borrow a firearm. "The last three months before the deadline I was very busy," Austen said. "I'm still busy running courses almost every weekend, getting people trained."

He says there seems to be a general willingness to comply, but the system has become jammed with the last minute rush. "Everybody is trying the best they can to comply," he said. "People have been trying to get through by phone or online without success."

He agrees with Grinnell that the consequences of refusing to comply could be more than people realize. "You could have problems getting a passport if you have a criminal conviction," he noted.

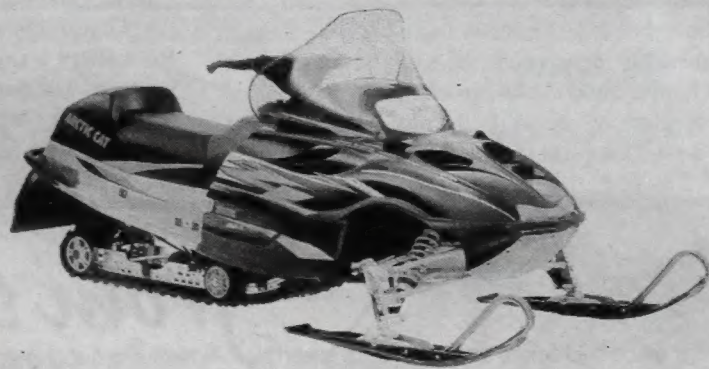
Karen Parrott, owner of Outdoors Plus in Haliburton, said she has some firearms registered in her business name for people who are in the process of getting their PALs. Anyone who is now applying for a licence will be required to obtain a PAL since POLs will no longer be issued. FACs, as they expire, will be replaced with PALs, which require taking a course and writing a test, or challenging the test without taking the course.

"It's a weird, confusing system," Parrott said. "I can't see them being able to get things straightened out."

She said a lot of people are really angry about the registration part of the act.

Eight provinces, including Ontario, have officially requested the federal government to suspend or scrap the long gun registration scheme. The registration program that then justice minister Allan Rock stated would have a net cost of \$2-million is expected to top \$1-billion, lead-

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Old cottages being torn down and replaced

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are sliding over this way from Muskoka - now that Muskoka is filled up - and people are building on every lot available."

Pentney said that builders are still working through the bone-chilling freeze this winter, and will continue to work right through the snow. The boon for the building department usually starts to make a move in April when spring starts to defrost the ground.

Many baby boomers have been looking to buy their dream homes or summer hideaways, Pentney said.

"The boomers are starting to pull out of the city and make roots here," he said.

Many of those baby boomers are buying lots with older houses or cottages already on them, and then tearing down the old buildings to start new.

"There are not many lots left," Pentney said. "So people are tearing down some of the old cottages that were built in the 1940s and building new homes or cottages."

Bill Kulas, a sales representative with ReMax in Minden, said that when buyers want to buy on lakefront property and discover that waterfront lots are few and far between, people are more willing to buy older cottages and build new homes or cottages. This trend is also part of the reason why both builders and real estate agencies have seen an increase in construction.

Kulas attributes part of the growth to baby boomers looking for early retirement and a lifestyle change.

"With the high prices in the Muskokas, buyers look at the Highlands and see more affordable prices and less congestion," Kulas said.

Kulas said that the Highlands has experienced growth over the past five years and the market has been very high.

Along with the brand new developments, Pentney says there have also been a lot of additions and renovations.

Kulas said the demand for development goes in cycles. "There are more buyers than sellers right now," Kulas said. Two years ago there were more sellers than buyers. Over the next year or two, Kulas said that more properties will start to pop up on the market.

Scott Valentine of North Face Country Homes says the building trade has been busy for a number of years.

"There are more buildings to be built than there are builders to build them," Valentine said. "The demand has been outstripping local builders."

He says that as people come to the Highlands to build new homes or cottages, they might also be inclined to bring builders with them from the city. He says that local trades people might not reap all the rewards.

Regardless though, business for Valentine has been steadily busy for a number of years.

"It seems larger than ever now."

As Valentine continues to build in the winter months, he echoes what Pentney said about there not being a lot of property available anymore.

"It's been busy towards Kennisis Lake because there's lots of land to still be developed," he said, but he doesn't anticipate his family trade to slow in demand.

"I'm book up already," he said. "I think there will be a good run for the next several years - the demand is huge."



Local construction workers say they can't keep up with the demand now that baby boomers are turning their sights to the Highlands. Although there are few waterfront properties left, people are getting around that by buying old cottages and tearing them down, replacing them with new structures. This file photo from last January shows Kirk Smith reaching for his electric saw to install a roof vent on the old Minden Hospital while his uncle, Craig Smith measures things up.

No more inserts in tax bills

by MARTHA PERKINS
Times staff

Tax bills are starting to look too much like junk mail in the minds of many local politicians who have decided to discontinue the practice of inserting other organizations' brochures and pamphlets in with the property tax bills.

"I'm sorry it's come to this," Algonquin Highlands Reeve Eleanor Harrison said on Thursday when Haliburton County Home Support Services asked the municipality to reconsider its decision not to allow the volunteer agency to include a request for donations in the tax bill.

Home Support would have assisted with the postage and also provided volunteer help in inserting the flyer.

MacDonald also approached Minden Hills council with the same request, only to find a similar reaction. Reeve Ross Rigney says that extra weight, which requires extra postage, was not part of the township's decision.

Last year, Algonquin Highlands had nine requests for inserts. If all had been included, Harrison asked Home

Support to consider what a property owner's reaction would have been when they opened their tax bill. With so many flyers, most would be disregarded, thereby defeating the purpose of having them included.

"The tax bill then becomes junk mail."

By leaving it to council to decide which insertion requests to allow, "you're asking us to play God and decide what's most important," Harrison said.

Instead, councils across the county have decided not to allow any inserts except for municipal and county information.

Harrison encouraged Home Support to contact lake associations to ask to have the request for funding included in newsletters, and also to ask to make a presentation at the annual general meetings in the summer.

Meanwhile, municipalities will continue to insert flyers pertaining to municipal and county matters. For instance, Algonquin Highlands approved a request to include a survey about possible new uses of the old Dorset school, which it is leasing from the school board.



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Frost Centre's canoeists face new rules

by MARTHA PERKINS
Times staff

Canoeists who pull ashore at a campsite in the Frost Centre this summer may find there are more rules but the campsites will be cleaner and less likely to be sources of pollution.

With a grant from provincial government and a land use permit from Algonquin Highlands, the Haliburton Highlands Water Trails Committee is embarking on a two-year project to manage the dozens of campsites at the province's 24,000-hectare property south of Dorset.

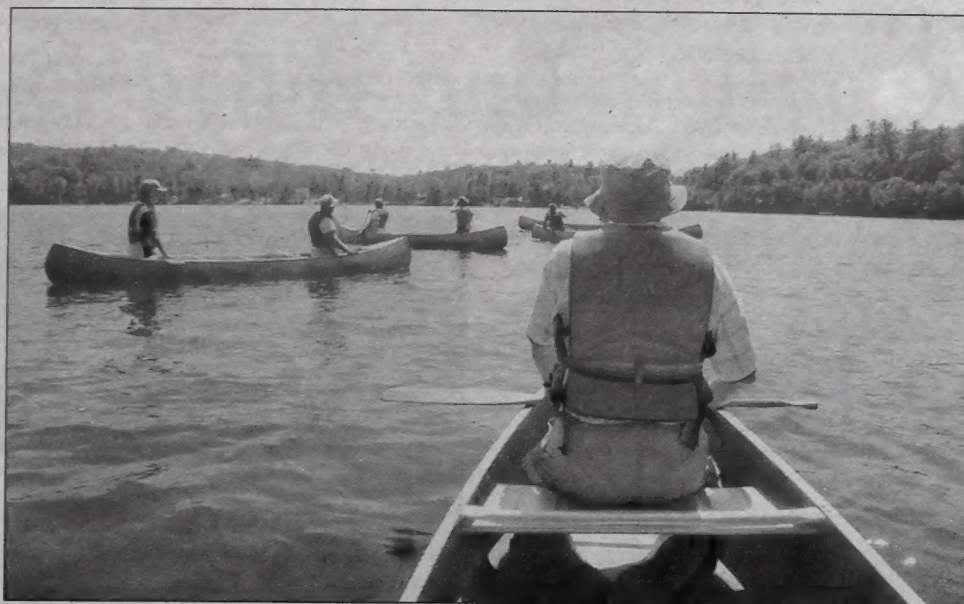
The first step is to hire a project co-ordinator to oversee how the \$200,000 from Ontario Living Legacy is spent. The committee received \$50,000 for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2002 and \$150,000 for the next fiscal year. On Thursday, Algonquin Highlands council gave it the authority it needs to spend the money by signing a land use permit agreement with the province.

Although canoeists will continue to be able to use the campsites for free, and not have to reserve spaces, they will have to comply with new rules about how many campers are allowed per site as posted on new signs.

For its part, the committee will improve the existing rudimentary system of outdoor privies to ensure that run-off from the campsites is not polluting the lakes.

In the first year, funding is to be spent as follows: \$5,000 for administration, \$5,000 for development of an operational plan; \$20,000 for the project co-ordinator; \$15,000 to upgrade and maintain the campsites and portages; \$3,000 for a communications and education plan; and \$2,000 for signage.

In the second year, funding will be spent as follows: \$50,000 for access point



and parking upgrades; \$50,000 for the upgrade of campsites and portages; \$30,000 for a project co-ordinator, who will also serve as compliance officer; \$10,000 for campsite rehabilitation; and \$10,000 for office administration.

Signage is being done this winter.

The access points are at Big and Little Hawk landings, Herb Lake and Sherborne Lake. The upgrades should be completed in the spring of 2003.

A map and brochure should be available by this June.

Field crews to monitor the campsites and make sure campers are complying with the rules should be hired by June of each year.

The upgrading of fire pits, privies and "the natural environment" will take place May to October in 2003 and 2004.

The initiative was sparked by the committee, which was formed to address growing concerns with over-use of the campsites and their impact on the environment. At present there are few controls and outside camps were dropping

canoeists off at the Frost Centre by the dozens. Committee members were also dismayed by the inappropriate placement of the privies, some of which were on water's edge.

Maintenance of the campsites used to fall under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Natural Resources, but it no longer has the funding to properly maintain the sites.

Last summer there was a series of well-attended public meetings about the proposal and there was over-whelming support for the committee's plan.

When it came time to signing the land use permit which gives the committee the authority to oversee the campsites management, Algonquin Highlands' deputy-reeve, Don Shortreed, expressed deep misgivings about signing off on the permit before the municipality's lawyers had had a chance to review the documentation.

His main concern is that the municipality can be held liable if there is an accident or environmental problem since it is now, in effect, leasing the land from the Frost

Centre.

"It's another example of downloading," he said. "I just don't want to get the township in a jackpot."

While other councillors shared his apprehension, but to a lesser degree, they felt that if the municipality deferred signing the land use permit by-law, there would be unfortunate delays in hiring the co-ordinator in order to meet the expected timelines.

"We're not anxious to get involved," Reeve Eleanor Harrison said, "but if someone doesn't take responsibility, our liability will get worse..."

"I don't think anything is going to change liability-wise. We'd likely be named [in the case of an accident] anyway. [The agreement] won't make our liability worse."

Council feels that it is already liable because many of the campsites are on the municipally-owned 66' shoreline allowance. CAO Gerald Bain cautioned council that with the land use permit the municipality could be exposing itself to more liability if there's an accident that occurs as a result of the municipality not enforcing the by-law.

Councillor Tom Gardner said that in the months he's sat on the committee, he too has felt his opinions go back and forth. Although he agrees the campsites should be the responsibility of the Ministry of Natural Resources, the reality is no one is taking care of them and the situation is just getting worse. If Algonquin Highlands didn't do something, no one would.

His hope, and the hope of other councillors, is that the land use permit is just a short-term solution and that in the future, the MNR will resume management of the water trails.

Shortreed was the only one who voted against signing the agreement for the land use permit.

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EDITORIAL COMMENT

Stepping back

Retirement means different things to different people. Some people look forward to it with great anticipation and a sense of renewal. To them it is a natural progression – the fulfillment of one phase of life and the start of a new adventure.

The really lucky retirees can look back and take pride in the fact that they have truly accomplished their goals. They can accept retirement knowing that they have made some kind of positive impact on their community, in their profession or vocation.

Some people thrive on attention, preferring to be the centre of attraction and taking every opportunity to showcase their accomplishments, which is not necessarily a bad thing.

Then there are people like Dave Mowat. There aren't many like Dave. He is a rare individual.

His accomplishments as an educator are far above the average. Yet he shies away from the limelight. When he is reminded of his achievements he is likely to attempt to divert attention away from himself and focus the accolades to his students. His ego never seems to get in the way and never takes precedence. He's just that kind of guy.

Dave Mowat was the recipient of a Prime Minister's Award for Teaching Excellence, Certificate of Achievement in 1997. This award is presented to only a few people annually. The award was presented for his involvement in the ELM Project, which stands for Energy, Lifestyles, Matter. It is an outdoors-based environmental science and the humanities program. High school students teach elementary school students about the interaction of people and nature.

Dave Mowat has done so much since then. His students, with his guidance and encouragement, have earned prestigious awards as well.

Dave may tell you it is all in his job description, but most would agree his support and guidance have gone well beyond the call of duty.

His supervisory and support role in the Drag River Project, and the many studies conducted in co-operation with the Ministry of Natural Resources and the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association, among others, amply demonstrate his commitment to his students and their education. He recognizes that hands-on experience is far more educational than memorizing and regurgitating statistics and formulas from a text book in the classroom.

Dave Mowat is retiring this month. He says he plans to take some time for himself – to do some the things he has put on hold while he focused on teaching.

He has set an example for those educators who follow and he has been an inspiration to students and teachers alike.

He has earned respect for his dedication to educating our leaders of the near future.

We hope Dave Mowat will enjoy the next phase of his life and we feel sure when he has accomplished the next series of goals he has set for himself, he will be available to assist with other science projects within the community. Whether they are connected with the education system, or not, we can be confident he will continue to be an inspiration.

But, if he decides to take it easy and become a couch potato, he has earned that right.

Something tells us that is not in Dave Mowat's plans.

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IMAGES OF THE HIGHLANDS

A frosty morning in Minden

Photo by DARREN LUM/Times

TO THE EDITOR

Times readers write

Gun culture brings death

To the Editor:

Your December 9 editorial attacking the Federal Government Gun Registration program arrived at our winter digs in Virginia, home of the National Rifle Association. Your comments might well have been excerpted from a speech by their president, Charlton Heston. "Registration of guns does nothing to save lives," you wrote, but neglected to add his famous line "Guns don't kill, people kill!" Do we really believe that the 16 to 20 thousand persons murdered annually by a bullet in the United States were victims of coincidence in that the murderer just happened to have a gun in their hand.... believe that and I'll sell you the Brooklyn Bridge.

"How many people," you ask, "have been injured or killed by misadventure with a firearm?"

The answer to that in Canada is not very many, thankfully. Kingston, Ontario for example, is an attractive, historic city and in a bad year, might experience one or two firearm deaths referred to by police as gun murders. Conversely, the city of Richmond, in the State of Virginia, an attractive university on the James River, experiences each year, on average 275 gun murders, year after year... two cities of similar size.

Virginia is a small state, with about seven million population and most are avid hunters. But that is not the problem! There are, at last count, 7,500 gun dealers, more dealers than McDonalds restaurants. They can sell handguns, machine guns and rifles without registration out of the trunk of their cars to anyone, including felons, bank robbers or kids just so

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IN OTHER WORDS

Columnists and Letters to the Editor

Beer bellies and double dees

Every now and then science is used for some incredible good that benefits not only all mankind but me in particular. Last week's breakthrough in Italy is a prime example.

That's when a team of respected Italian scientists, God bless them, proclaimed that men's beer bellies are genetically programmed events and not self-inflicted wounds as some wives would have you believe. Around the world, millions of men are drinking to that.

It all started when these incredible minds studied 300 Italian men, over a twenty year period, in a little town. Let's assume they called that town Paunch Villa.

The scientists found that beer bellies were linked to something known as the DD gene. I kid you not. Though they never said so, I suspect that it's the same gene that has afflicted Pam Anderson and Anna Nicole Smith as I once heard that they carried double dees too. The only difference is that even though I possess this gene in spades, no one has ever

asked me to pose for Playboy. This is probably a good thing.

More than that, however, it explains why men such as myself can't help but notice women who suffer silently with this genetic aberration, especially when they are in bikinis or low cut dresses. We empathize with their torment. Some of us even feel their pain. Or would hope too.

As for men, this gene makes it hard for us to do up our jeans. That's because DD carrying men, it is said, tend to put on more weight and concentrate it in the belly area. Apparently exercise and moderation in caloric consumption has very little effect on this natural process. Kind of brings a tear to your eye, don't it?

Personally, I've always believed the theory that the beer belly was an evolutionary trait that has served mankind

nobly. I've never known a man with a beer belly to have sunburned feet for example. This is important because in the olden days when men needed to hunt and gather for their families, and walking was required, sunburned feet could mean the difference between venison steaks and one less family pet. This also explains why cats are so high strung.

I'll admit, that this study has given me hope and made me feel better about myself. I am actually considering starting a foundation to deal with this genetic disorder. Every week, we sufferers could meet for beer and pretzels and perhaps discuss how this affliction has

caused us undue suffering. Many men do this unofficially already.

I'm reasonably sure I could get sponsorship from those poor, oppressed beer

companies who, until now, have been unfairly accused of creating this problem when in fact they've done nothing but create a public awareness of the DD-syndrome, as is evidenced by all the women in their commercials.

Not only that, but everything about drinking beer exudes healthy exercise, from carrying the case to the car to twisting off the bottle caps. And let's not even mention that beer drinking promotes walking, especially with R.I.D.E. programs all over the place.

Yet notwithstanding the obvious benefits brought about by this important research, a lot of people will look at this groundbreaking study and claim that it's a waste of much-needed scientific resources. They'll point out that there are many critical problems in this world that needed addressing sooner than this one. Maybe so, but I say these scientists did research in an area that few of us care to look at.

And that, my friends, took a lot of guts.



BEYOND 35

Steve Galea

Nothing stuns like a deer

Here's a little quiz for you to while away the time waiting for the bar-keep to refill the pretzel bowl – what do you reckon is the most dangerous animal in North America?

Well, the Yanks are 'way ahead of us on this one. They've got scorpions, diamond-back rattlers, coral snakes and black widow spiders not to mention 'gators, great white sharks and Jesse Helms. But Canada can post some pretty impressive predators. Your Rocky Mountain grizzly – there's a fella you don't want to pester for spare change. Cougars pack some pretty impressive switchblade cuticles, not to mention their dental armory. We've got our very own viper, the Massasauga rattlesnake, not to mention Wood Buffalo bison, wolverines, timber wolves, musk oxen, wharf rats, rabid bats – heck, even the lowly mosquito can punch your ticket if it happens to be packing the West Nile Virus in its stinger.

But none of these can hold a candle nor a canine tooth to the most dangerous critter on the continent.

It's Rudolph.

Which is to say your common, timid, vegetarian, non-belligerent whitetail deer. This year, Bambi and his brethren will knock off more North American primates

than all predatory forms of wildlife combined.

And how do they do it? The hard way, mostly – by stepping out in front of our cars and trucks at inopportune moments. Needless to say, this manoeuvre hurts them a lot more than it does us. In the U.S., deer/vehicle collisions constitute more than a million traffic 'incidents' every year.

Mostly, the deer involved pay with their lives. Even so, more than 29,000 Americans can expect to be injured in such a crash in any given year, more than 200 of them fatally.

The numbers here in Canada are lower but no less alarming. Even Saskatchewan, which boasts the most wide-open of spaces, wracks up 3,620 deer/vehicle collisions annually.

And we've got no one to blame but ourselves. Since the day the white man arrived we've systematically wiped out the wolf, cougar and bear populations in most parts of the continent. This has left the deer bereft of natural predators. Which means the deer population has exploded to...well,

to levels they probably enjoyed before the pale guys in the big sailboats first landed.

Except that it isn't the same 'here' anymore. We've gobbled up hundreds of thousands of square miles of natural deer habitat with our logging, our subdivisions and our road networks. Which means more and more deer on less and less land.

And that means trouble. In many parts of North America the vast numbers of deer are stripping the forests of vegetation. Gary Alt, a wildlife biologist with the Pennsylvania Game Commission fears that eventually "everything will be lost. The deer population will not be healthy and scores of other species will suffer."

Interestingly enough, the situation is reversed on

Vancouver Island.

There, deer herds are said to be in decline. One of the provincial government's more brilliant proposed solutions? Kill off a slew of wolves and mountain lions to 'take the pressure off the deer'.

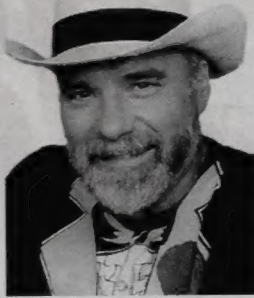
And incidentally, leave more deer for human hunters to make sport with.

There's another island that could teach us all an important lesson in wildlife management. It's called Isle Royale. You'll find it tucked into the northwest corner of Lake Superior. Isle Royale is uninhabited by humans, but has a goodly population of wolves, moose and deer. Logging, hunting and development have been banned on Isle Royale for most of the last century and all of this one. The animals have been pretty much left to themselves.

So did the deer and moose strip the island bare? Did the wolves proliferate and eat the deer and moose right down to the last rib eye steak?

Nope, the populations stabilized themselves naturally, without benefit of biologists, government planners or gun-toting 'harvesters'.

We tend to forget that Mother Nature somehow muddled through for thousands of years before we came along to help her. Which means we really should re-think that notion about the whitetail deer as Public Enemy Number One. The most dangerous animal in North America isn't the ungulate in the headlights. It's the monkey behind the wheel.



ARTHUR BLACK

Columnist

Responsible people want a safe life

from page 18

long as they have the money. There is a gun mentality that perpetuates the circulation of millions of weapons into homes, cars, lockers and pockets of school kids from coast to coast in the name of individual right and personal security. There is a terrible price!

Surely the sport of hunting can be preserved in Canada while responsible people develop a safe and civilized way of life for all Canadians. These objectives are not mutually exclusive.

Ken Brown
South Lake and Charlottesvillle,
Virginia

Editor's note: The point of the editorial was that a billion dollars could have saved hundreds, possibly even thousands, of lives if it had been invested in cancer research, MRI machines, more doctors, more police officers on the streets or a host of other things.

The handgun registry, which has been in effect in Canada for almost 70 years, has done nothing to enhance public safety, as admitted by former deputy prime minister Herb Gray. Only honest citizens will register their long guns. We're not against licensing firearms owners – all

legal firearms owners are already licensed, a process which includes a police check of all applicants.

Firearms owners would support meaningful mandatory penalties for the commission of crimes with or the careless use of firearms – penalties that would act as a deterrent.

Squandering another billion dollars into the bottomless pit of long gun registration is neither wise use of tax dollars, nor a life-saving exercise.

MORE LETTERS

Times readers write

Treatment for arm injuries earns praise

To the Editor:

On Jan. 2, while at our cottage, my wife fell and severely broke both wrists while skating on Canning Lake. She was treated at Emergency in Minden by Dr. D. Fiddler and his able assistants. After doing a "reduction" on both wrists, Dr. Fiddler aligned the bones and put "temporary" splints on both – to be replaced when we returned to Toronto the next day.

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Chilly mornings:

A snow-covered school bus stops to pick up young passengers along Hwy. 121 on a cold morning last week. The Highlands have been gripped with an extended deep freeze, with temperatures plunging as low as -30C and hovering not much above -20 for several days. While the cold has produced sparkling beauty, it has curtailed some outdoor activities. By the weekend, however, temperatures were moderating into the minus mid teens.

Weather for Minden and area
December 2002

by PHIL GRAHAM

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Average High	-1.0	30
Average Low	-9.9	14.1
Average for the month	-5.4	22.2
Average for last December	-0.5	31.0
Highest Temperature Dec 20	5.0	41.0
Lowest Temperature Dec 3	-25.5	-14.0
Rain	16.2mm	06 in
Snow	55.0cm	21.6in
Total Precipitation	71.2 mm	2.8 in
Total Precip for last December	140mm	55in
Snow on ground Dec. 31	17 cm	6.6in
Snow on ground last Dec. 31	42 cm	16.5 in
Total snowfall Nov 1 to Dec.31	114 cm	44.8in
Days mostly sunny	7	
Days with snow or rain	11	
Days with thunderstorms	0	
Days with freezing rain	1	

December was mostly winter conditions, fairly cold most of the month with mild days December 20 and 30.

The average temperature was -5.4 C (22 F) much colder then last December, but not enough to freeze the lakes with safe and thick enough ice for travel.

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Minden emergency care professional, empathetic

from page 9

Two Orthopedic specialists at Centenary Hospital examined the X-rays and both commented on Dr. Fiddler's excellent work – and said nothing more needed to be done – and she still has the “temporary” splints.

We are very appreciative of the professional and empathetic treatment provided to her and will continue to be financial supporters of the HHHS. Many thanks to Dr. Fiddler and his assistants at the hospital.

Rollie and Kathie Wagg
Canning Lake

MORE LETTERS
Times readers write

because of the Conservative government's obsession with corporate and personal tax cuts, we have a critical nursing shortage in our Riding and across Ontario that is seriously affecting our care and well-being.

How can Laurie Scott, an RN, support Tories?

To the Editor:

Re: Laurie Scott is seeking nomination for provincial PC party

Although I spend much of my time in Toronto, I grew up in Lindsay and my hometown holds a special place in my heart. I also enjoy my family cottage in Haliburton County. My future plan is to come home to live and to be closer to my family and friends. I am very interested in the future of my home riding.

I noticed that Laurie Scott is seeking the nomination for the provincial Conservative Party in our riding. I wish her well, but I am confused about her motive. Is Ms Scott not currently or formerly a registered nurse? How can any registered nurse possibly wish to represent the current provincial government?

Just ask any nurse how he or she feels about the Tory government's treatment of nurses over the last seven years. You'll be told that

Is it not the Tory government that is forcing many nurses to actually move out of our Province? The H-V-B Riding is already faced with a shortage of nurses and doctors and we cannot afford to continue in a downward spiral. Shouldn't an MPP be involved with a party where his or her own convictions are in line with that party? How can we expect to attract doctors and nurses to this area if the MPP is a member of the government that has deliberately created these problems?

Nurses seem to support universal, publicly-administered health care. However, Ernie Eves has publicly stated that he wants to create a two-tier system and for-profit delivery of health care in Ontario. His government is already moving ahead with privatizing MRI clinics and selling our hospitals to the private sector.

I hope someone can explain this to me.

Peter R. Morgan
Lindsay, Ontario

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Laurie Scott first to announce Tory bid

by MARTHA PERKINS
Times staff

When MPP Chris Hodgson made his surprise announcement that he was retiring from politics, Laurie Scott was faced with a dilemma.

For the past few years, the former PC candidate for the federal Progressive Conservatives has been working as a senator's executive assistant to familiarize herself with the world of Ottawa politics.

As soon as Hodgson resigned, supporters started phoning her in Ottawa, asking her to make the switch to provincial politics.

Last Saturday, January 11, Scott announced to her executive that she had decided to make a bid as Hodgson's replacement on the provincial ballot.

It was a tough decision to make, and she says she was compelled by two factors: the many phonecalls of encouragement she had received and her desire to work on behalf of the people of this riding.

She's the first and only person to formally make a bid for the provincial Tory candidacy. Her potential competitors don't have long to decide whether to contest her. The deadline for nominations is January 31, with voting for the new candidate to take place on February 15 in Lindsay.

However, right now she wants the main message to be about Hodgson and his many contributions to the people of Haliburton-Victoria-Brock.

"I just can't say enough about what he's done for the riding," she said last Monday morning during a stop in her commute from her home in Kinmount to job in Ottawa. "Please make all the headlines about him."

She wants to be able to carry on with Hodgson's legacy, citing such things as expansions of schools, hospitals and roads. As a nurse, who still works occasionally at

Ross Memorial Hospital in Lindsay, healthcare would be one of her top priorities as an MPP.

While she enjoyed taking a broad brush approach to issues on a federal level, she is excited about the challenge of having a much more direct impact by implementing those issues on a provincial level.

This "switching of focus" will not be that difficult, she says, because she's been involved with every election, both federally and provincially, and has always had close ties with the riding associations on both levels.

As well, she says, being a politician at whatever level

of government is about serving the people.

"I have the luxury of growing up in a public family," she says. "I have travelled, lived or worked in every corner of this riding. I had great opportunities in life [as the daughter of a politician.] My family's always been into helping people. The main thing is you were out there for the people."

She says it's also an advantage to have grown up in Kinmount. Through her family's involvement in community life she's kept in touch with the issues and concerns of the riding.

Eight-ender even better than a hole-in-one

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was attracting particular attention because she had curled at the Haliburton club for 11 years but last Wednesday was playing in Haliburton for the opposition because she had moved to Minden in August.

"That red rock was a shot rock. I had to get a double raise angle take-out," she explained.

And to the astonishment of everyone - she did it!

Her teammates joked afterward about their debatable curling skills but Bull says "they were good little children and listened well" to her instructions. Their confidence in their skip paid off. However, all of them including Bull watched with incredulity and never knew until the last second when the rock stopped sliding that they had really pulled it off.

"I just love it when you have to work for it," she later said with a smile that outshone the ice.

Bull got herself back into position and threw the eighth rock and stunningly managed to draw it into the house as well.

"Being a Newfoundler, she didn't believe my count at first," joked lead Jack Hollett.

But there it was, the dream play of any curler - an eight-ender.

Art Cook, whose Haliburton team won the bonspiel, was on the phone to the press before Bull and her team were even off the ice. An extremely excited Cook told this reporter to get over there because he had been curling for seven years across Ontario and this was the first eight-

ender he had ever seen.

"It's far more rare than a hole in one in golf. In golf you don't have someone else trying to knock your ball out of the hole. This is amazing," Cook explained.

Bull says she and her team, Hollett as lead, Todd Grainger as vice and Christine Macartney as second, were so stunned that they could not think for the rest of the bonspiel. They carried on anyway, going through the motions. Meanwhile upstairs in the Haliburton Curling Club lounge the excitement was palatable and everyone else was trying to horn in on the success. The Haliburtonians were very quick to point out that after all the years Bull spent on their ice, they had taught her everything she knew. The Minden curlers were just as quick to retort they were the ones who fine-tuned Bull's skills for the win and it was a Minden team that pulled off the eight-ender.

Neither claim is quite true since Bull actually scored an eight-ender once before in 1987 at the Avonlea Curling Club in Toronto. She was playing with a group of business ladies. She started curling in 1965.

"Everyone is having some fun with it and I'm just delighted," says Bull.

Ridgeway Ford is donating prize vests and others at the club thought the team may receive other prizes as well from different organizations that support curling. Congratulations were flowing from curlers from both clubs. Everyone sounds eager for a rematch but they will have to wait until the next inter-club bonspiel to be held next fall in Minden.332

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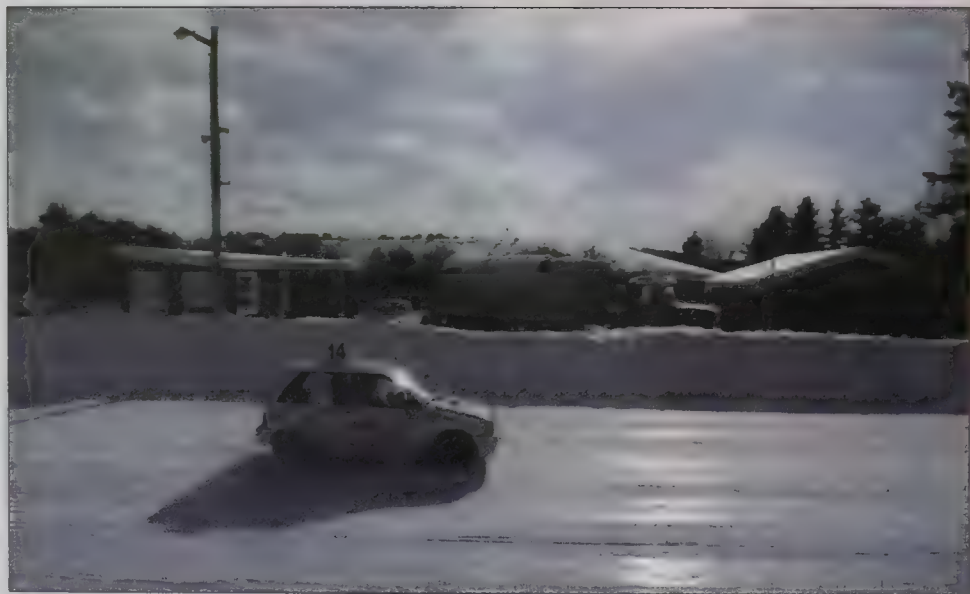
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ASES gets a good ranking in Ministry survey

by SHERYL LOUCKS
Times Staff

The following are brief reports of items discussed by the Trillium Lakelands District School Board in Haliburton last Tuesday.

All of the schools in the board were reviewed in the early fall by a Ministry of Education survey undertaken by each school principal.

Superintendent Jim Bradley says it took a tremendous amount of man hours to fulfill this ministry requirement and he has yet to see how the data is used in any meaningful way.

Each school is surveyed by a group of teachers, non-teaching staff, school council members and students. The principal also fills out a survey that looks at the school's cleanliness, condition, comfort, access, partnerships and how each of the five groups (including the principal) would be ranked by the rest. The ministry has its own formula for tabulating a final overall rating.

Scores range from needing improvement to excellent. Both Cardiff Elementary School and Haliburton Highlands Secondary School received an excellent ranking, with J. Douglas. Hodgson, Stuart Baker and Wilberforce ranking as satisfactory, leaving Archie Stouffer with a good ranking.

The information is available on the TLDSB website.

Debt refinanced

The debt incurred with the construction of Stuart Baker Elementary School, the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School addition and other capital projects had not until now been permanently financed.

The board has now received permission

from the ministry to contract McMillan Binch LLP to act on behalf of the board in refinancing this \$7.8 million debt.

Ed Hodgins, superintendent of business, assured board members this change in how they were carrying the debt will be an improvement for their finances.

CUPE contract

A new three-year collective agreement has been agreed upon between Trillium Lakelands District School Board and the Canadian Union of Public Employees local 997 regarding educational assistants, custodial/maintenance, office, clerical and technical staff.

The agreement solves outstanding pay equity issues caused by the board's amalgamation and creates a new salary grid structure effective this month.

The agreement includes a three per cent increase for each of the three years and includes clarification's regarding other issues such as lay-offs and a new supplementary unemployment benefit for employees taking pregnancy leaves.

Both parties expressed in a press release satisfaction with the terms of this agreement.

Baccalaureate

A new international baccalaureate program is underway at I E Weldon Secondary School in Lindsay and is open to all students in the school board. An information session for Grade 8 students and their parents will be held on Jan. 23 at the school.

The IB program is a comprehensive and rigorous two-year curriculum for highly motivated students in Grades 11 and 12. It was originally designed for children of international diplomats. However, the school has developed a pre-IB program

for Grades 9 and 10 students. The first group to experience the program are currently in Grade 9 and when they reach Grade 11 in 2004/5 that will be the first year the actual IB program is offered. It will be open to students at that time from across the board whether they have or have not taken the pre-IB program.

The IB program is an internationally recognized and will give students a baccalaureate diploma as well as the standard Ontario Secondary School Diploma. Students are graded by IB examiners and 40,000 students around the globe are assessed annually.

Amy Pretak, TLDSB media relations, says the school has initiated this program and is paying for it out of their budget and fundraising efforts. The board will not be providing transportation to students interested in participating in the program.

For more information contact I. E. Weldon directly.

Transition help

Andy Scott, superintendent of professional learning and partnerships, reported to the board that they have received more than \$12,000 in funding for two different projects designed to create a smoother transition from high school to post-secondary education.

The first will focus on English and communications. Scott explained staff from all seven district high schools will be involved in meeting with a Sir Sandford Fleming College professor to learn how the high school curriculum compares to the college's and what may be needed to make the two mesh.

He says it has been 10 years since the

board has undertaken such a study and with a whole new curriculum it was time to do it again. The project is happening with partners from the separate school board and the Kawartha Pine Ridge District School Board.

The second project will focus on math and involve Georgian College, the Simcoe County District School Board and the Simcoe Muskoka Catholic district School Board.

"We're excited. This will help staff to prep our kids for post-secondary," says Scott.

Vacancy filled

Maureen O'Hara has stepped forward to represent the Community Living Association of Haliburton on the Special Education Advisory Committee. There has been a vacancy on the board for a Haliburton representative since O'Hara's predecessor as the executive director of Community Living resigned her position.

O'Hara says she at first felt there were too many new things to learn on the job to take on the responsibility but a year later, after no one else has stepped up to the plate, she felt it was important to ensure Haliburton had representation.

She says that although her agency does not work with school-age children, she believes she will be able to provide SEAC with valuable resources and be of assistance to parents of children making the transition from childhood to adulthood.

Valerie Smith, Haliburton's representative on the school board, will also be an active member on the committee, giving Haliburtonians even more of a voice on the SEAC committee.

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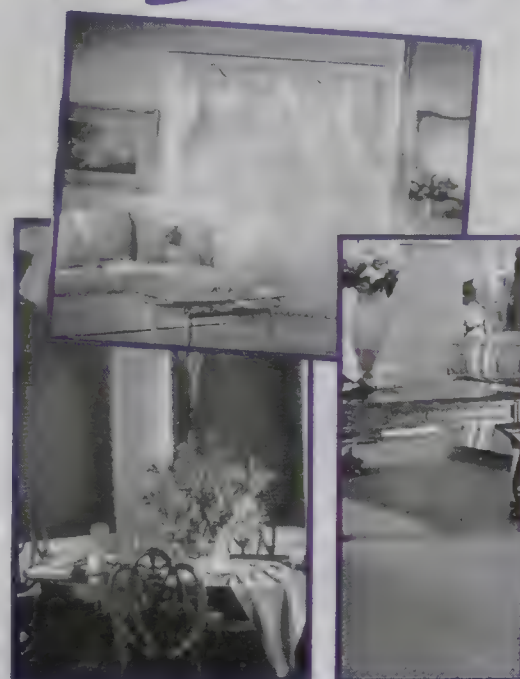
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Victory slips away

HHSS defenseman Norm Smith skids just short of the Norwood forward, creating space with the sudden stop. The Red Hawks lost a heartbreaker to the Norwood Knights, 4-3, when the Knights scored two goals within a minute during the third period. The Knights entered play with the most goals scored in the Kawartha high school league.

Bantam AE ends regular season with win

by SHARON WALKER
Special to The Times

With play-offs just around the corner Bantam AE played a couple of exhibition games. Storm had not played a game since beating Bracebridge before Christmas 6-3.

Saturday, January 11, the Storm faced off against the Huntsville Blues. Devon Hunter opened the scoring with assists from Kenton Winn and Tyler Watson.

The Blues tied the game minutes later.

The next two periods saw some great hockey played by all players, with great forechecking and back checking

and both teams having ample opportunities to go ahead. Ian Sacs shut down the Blues and played outstanding between the pipes and it wasn't until Blues scored on the third rebound during a scramble in the slot that they took the lead at 2-1.

With the Storm on a power play, Tyler Watson scored with feeds from Brittany Hicks and Sherri Walker to knot the game at 2-2. The Storm gained momentum and less than two minutes later wingers Kenton Winn and Watson made a few smooth passes to Hunter who scored giving the Storm the lead at 3-2.

With less than two minutes left, the Blues scored to tie

the game. Huntsville went home with a tie. Jokingly, the Huntsville coach encouraged the Storm to win the next day when the Highland team was set to tangle with Parry Sound. A Storm win in Parry Sound would vault Huntsville into first place in the standings.

The Storm team went to Parry Sound the following day with every intention of winning. This was the fourth battle with the Parry Sound Shamrocks this season and the best showing against Parry Sound so far for the Storm was a tie.

The Shamrocks scored early but the Storm game back

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'A great way to head into the playoffs'

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to tie it up. Devon Hunter was the sniper, assisted by Tyler Watson.

Before the first period ended, the Shamrocks scored again to make it 2-1.

With cowbells ringing in our ears throughout the entire game the noise never stopped the Storm from outplaying and outwitting the Shamrocks. It was end to end action and again Ian Sacs goaltending was outstanding and stoned the Shamrocks over and over again to keep his team in the game. The Storm's persistence paid off when Watson scored to tie the game, assisted by defensemen Matt Clements and Bradford Burke.

That was the turning point in the game, as the Shamrocks started to lose their momentum. Tempers flared and the cow bells came to a stop when Walker scored after taking a great setup from Derek Nesbitt and Zack Peirson.

Parry Sound's coach pulled his goalie in favour of the extra attacker but unfortunately for the Shamrocks the Storm was awarded a penalty shot with less than a minute to go in the game. Coach Winn selected to scoring machine Devon Hunter, who came through to give the Storm a 4-2 win.

It was a great way to head into the playoffs. And, you're welcome Huntsville Blues.

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Daren Lum/TIMES



Team prepares

The HHSS Nordic ski team practices three or four times a week and posted excellent results at a recent competition in Lakefield. The Red Hawks posted midget wins by Josh Mayhew and Laura Stouffer while juniors Sean Keaney and Matt Allore finished second at the Lakefield College Invitational. Respectable finishes by seniors Josh Wales, a sixth, and Kyle Thompson, a seventh are good indicators of great things to occur in the upcoming season.

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Tuesday Afternoon League
(January 14)
High average: Ken Thompson 209; Mona Benn 201
High single: Ken Thompson 251; Beth Henderson 194
High single (handicap): Jim Finlay 290; Hazel Benetin 273
High triple: Ken Thompson 615; Mona Benn 651
High triple (handicap): Jim Finlay 690; Hazel Benetin 725

Wednesday Afternoon League
(January 15)
High average: Ken Thompson 219; Mona Benn 193

High single: Ken Thompson 250; Mona Benn 250
High single (handicap): Fred Phipps 273; Mona Benn 276
High triple: Ken Thompson 680; Mona Benn 639
High triple (handicap): Fred Phipps 687; Mona Benn 717

Thursday Afternoon League
(January 16)
High average: Ken Thompson 237; Beverley Alexander 159
High single: Ken Thompson 262; Lorna Burch 187
High single (handicap): Doug Burch 306; Barbara

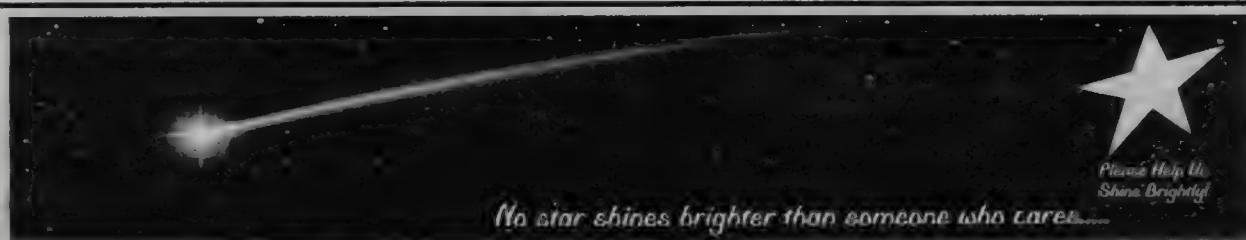
Gamble 254
High triple: Ken Thompson 713; Beverley Alexander 478

High triple (handicap): Merv Bunker 799; Laura Carnegie 682

MINDEN BOWLING

Legion 636 Mixed League
(January 13)
High average: Bob Vankoughnet 191; Pat Roussel 151
High single: Bob Vankoughnet 256; Estella Burch 197
High single (handicap): Bob Vankoughnet 284; Estella Burch 271
High triple: John Ritchie 626; Leitha Stearns 501
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Thursday Afternoon Seniors' League
(January 9)
High average: Jim Cummings 220; Mona Benn 193
High single: Fred Preston 252; Mona Benn 248
High single (handicap): Ray Lymer 287; Mona Benn 275
High triple: Ray Lymer 641; Mona Benn 684
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Restaurants find smoke-free now the way to be

Staff, customers support change

Cigarettes are going up in smoke at many restaurants and other public places in Haliburton County.

An increase in the number of public places choosing to go smoke-free isn't going unnoticed by the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit. During National Non-Smoking Week - which runs January 19 to 25 - the Health Unit will recognize more than 20 restaurants, lodges and recreational facilities in Haliburton County which have opted to ban smoking on their premises.

National non-smoking week is held annually to promote the importance of controlling tobacco use.

"It is courageous for many of these establishments to be going smoke-free," says Anne-Marie Cyr, a public health nurse with the HKPR District Health Unit. "The fact we're seeing so many establishments doing it voluntarily shows a breath of fresh air blowing through the community. People want smoke-free public places such as restaurants."

Cyr's comments are backed up by the findings of a recent Health Unit phone survey which shows more than 75 per cent of Haliburton's residents do not want

to be exposed to second-hand smoke in workplaces or in public places such as restaurants.

The establishments which are choosing to go smoke-free are finding advantages as well, Cyr adds. Several restaurants she has spoken to say their employees are happier not being exposed to deadly second-hand smoke. In another instance, a local curling club which adopted a no-smoking policy has seen its membership jump 22-per-cent.

Cyr says the increase in smoke-free environments shows Haliburton is ready for a municipal bylaw that bans tobacco use in all workplaces and public places. She encourages Haliburton residents to lobby their local politicians to adopt such a bylaw.

Nearby communities such as Peterborough, the City of Kawartha Lakes and Cobourg have or are developing smoke-free bylaws. Currently, more than half of people living in Ontario enjoy the protection of a smoke-free bylaw.

Says Cyr, "Haliburton residents aren't second-class citizens. They deserve the same protection from deadly second-hand smoke as everyone else in Ontario."

Community gears up for poker rally, carnival

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DORSET NEWS

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Rally and St. Valentine's Dance is fast approaching. The date is set for Saturday, February 8 beginning at 10 a.m. Pre-registration takes place on Friday, February 7 from 6 to 10 p.m. and Saturday morning from 9 to 11 a.m. A maximum of 350 participants has been set. All events start and finish at Lions Camp Dorset on Kawagama Lake Road, Dorset. More than \$10,000 in prizes are up for grabs, with the first prize being \$2000 cash. Requirements for entering the Poker Rally are OFSC trail permits and the registration fee, which is \$30 per person. Children under 12 may ride for free. The fee includes participation in the rally, continental breakfast, dinner, prizes following the dinner, corporate checkpoints and surprises, snack bar and refreshments. \$50 worth of pledges gives you a free ride. The top five pledges win a \$500 prize. Pledge forms are available by calling Barb at 705-766-2108 or Donna at 705-766-9253. The proceeds of this event go to aid Kidney Dialysis at Lions Camp

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The week-end following the Poker Rally, Friday and Saturday,

February 14 and 15 is the 13th Annual Dorset Snowball Winter Carnival. Lots of great events have once again been planned. Watch for upcoming Dorset News columns for a listing of events, or check out the website at www.dorset-snowball.com.

Birthday and Anniversary wishes for January 19 to 25 go out to Shirley Brown, Dave Bradbury, Samantha Black, Madison Marie Allore and Bill Ellerington Jr. Happy Anniversary to Rick and Doris Nash who are celebrating 31 years together. Have a wonderful day!

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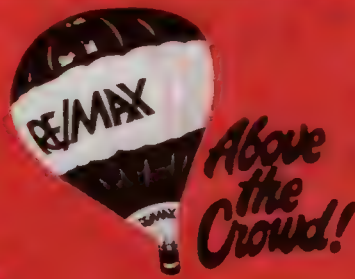


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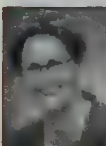
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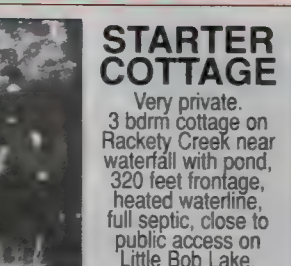
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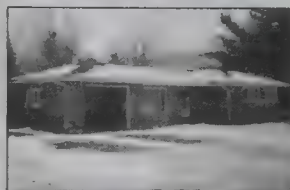
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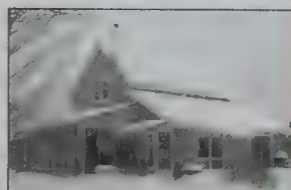
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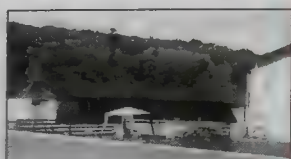
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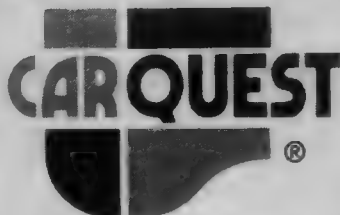
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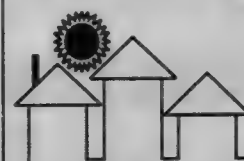


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Keeping busy banishes 'blues'

Horticultural Society plans to brighten winter with bus trip to flower show

Well, it's that time of year again when many people fall prey to "SAD." No folks Seasonal Affective Disorder, with its feelings of sadness, lethargy and fatigue, is not linked to receiving our post-Christmas Visa statements but to reduced exposure to natural light as we spend more time curled up indoors. The use of more artificial lights and vitamin supplements can help but doesn't work for the brand of Seasonal Affective Disorder that annually afflicts this inhabitant of the old farmhouse. Packing up the handmade ornaments from the real Christmas tree always brings a flood of memories of small faces and (mainly) eager hands creating these cherished treasures. In particular, those four little plastic pill bottles lined with Christmas wrapping might never be missed by others but for me they are in the words of the MasterCard TV commercial "priceless."

The Minden and District Horticultural Society will hold its annual general meeting and pot luck luncheon on Saturday, February 1 at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church in Minden, starting at noon. Guest speakers Ed and Darien McCauley of "Singing Dog Studio" will do a presentation on "Creating with hard-shelled gourds." Please bring your own place setting of dishes and cutlery, along with your pot luck dish.

The Society is also announcing its upcoming bus trip to "Canada Blooms" on Wednesday, March 12, leaving the Municipal Office in Minden at 7:30 a.m.

Everyone is welcome but a 2003 Horticultural Society membership is required (cost \$5 and available at the pot luck).

The Kinmount Seniors are planning another trip to Casino Rama on Thursday, February 6 leaving the Legion parking lot at 9:15 a.m. The cost, which includes bus transport and a hearty smorgasbord lunch, is only \$3. For more information call Mildred St. Thomas at 488-2728.

Other Kinmount "happenings" include the Alzheimer Society family/caregiver group meeting at 1 p.m. on Friday, January 24 at the Kinmount and District Health Centre, and the community Homework Club continues to meet every Wednesday from 4:30 to 6 p.m. at the K and T Cafe on Main Street. Students in Grades 3 to 8 are welcome to bring along their homework. Assistance is provided in a home-like setting, complete with muffin and drink. For details and to register call Tim at 454-3350. What a great idea.

Now here is the scoring news, along with your usual reminder to keep busy and well.

Thursday, January 9 euchre at the Minden Legion Branch 636: Helen

Skelding had four lone hands to win for the ladies, with Marcel Roussel taking the honours for the men. High scores for ladies/men went to Gwen Cox and Carol Hill, while Pat Roussel and Joe Rivers had the lows. Other prize winners were Kevin Maloney, Gala Stamp and Jim Bradbury.

AROUND THE TOWN

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Friday, January 10 bid euchre at Club 35, Halls Lake: Single moonshots landed on Sharon Evans and Stan Dutka, while Alvin Cowen took two. Leading the pinks was Helen Windsor 247, followed by Barb Robitaille 242 and Marjorie Cowen 223. Top spot for the white cards went to Jean Randell 255, then Bob McConnell a close second at 254 and Peter Farr 219 for third. The hidden score of 161 was uncovered by Verna Sawyer.

Friday, January 10 duplicate bridge at Echo Hills, Haliburton: North/south winners were Muriel and Doug McIntosh 60%, then Reet Murray and Bill Sandford second at 50%. In east/west it was Ev and Fred Vanderland taking top honours with 59%, followed by Rita and Glen Lockhart 56%.

Saturday, January 11 bid euchre at Staunworth Terrace, Minden: With 24 players braving the weather it was Pat

Roussel first with 307 and Gala Stamp second at 300. Hidden scores were uncovered by Milton Fletcher, Jack Chilton and Esther Lee, while Gloria Moore took the only moonshot. Appreciation is extended to Esther Lee for her efforts and best wishes for a speedy recovery go out to Wendy Wilkins.

Monday, January 13 euchre at Club 35, Halls Lake: Ken Wallace reports that for most lone hands it was Bob McConnell, with Barb Robitaille and Harry Randell recording the ladies/men high scores. Low scores of the day went to Grace Berardi and Stan Dutka, while Andy Boivin won the baloney. Special awards were presented to Jean Randell and Stan Dutka.

Monday, January 13 euchre at the Friendship Club, St. Paul's Anglican Church, Minden: In the lone hands department it was Pearl Cowen for the ladies and Lorna Hicks representing the gents. Jean Keliele was joined by Bill Mosley in the high scores column, while Joyce Ritchie and Carl Nesbitt had the lows. The draws were a family affair with Gladys and Carl Nesbitt taking home the prizes. Katie Parker feels that the cold weather may have kept those little striped critters at home curled up in their den.

Monday, January 13 euchre at

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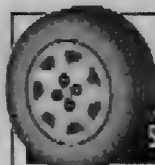
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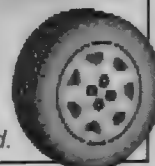
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Good deals result in high scores for euchre players

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Staanworth Terrace, Minden: Norm Lee had the high score, Iris Taylor held the most lone hands and Bill Van Dyke took the low. Special prize winner was Helen Skelding. Gala Stamp sends a special thanks to Georgina Deeks for dealing her that great lone hand.

Monday, January 13 cribbage at the Minden Legion Branch 636: Maxine Cross reports that Pat Scadden was first with Syd Adamson and Esther Lee tied for second. The draws went to Don Burch, Joe Rivers, and Maxine Cross.

Monday, January 13 Kinmount Seniors bid euchre at the Kinmount Legion Branch 441: First and second place was a family affair with the prizes going to Bill and Mildred St. Thomas. Ida Young had the only moonshot and Vic Ballik won the special draw.

Tuesday, January 14 bid euchre at the Minden Legion Branch 636: Hats off to Norm Lee for taking top spot, with Marcel

and Pat Roussel coming second and third. Moonshot quartet members were Norm Lee, Esther Lee, Isobel Cherwenka and Pat Roussel. Hidden scores were discovered by Isobel Cherwenka, Howard Smith and Marie Dennie. A special hello is sent to Jack Chilton from all his friends.

Tuesday, January 14 contract bridge at Stanhope: Jan and Dave Heaven recorded the only slam and, for the second week in a row, Morris Hansen won the lucky draw. As he has the furthest to drive for Tuesday bridge and, hopefully, his winnings will offset gas costs. The top four scores were recorded by Muriel McIntosh 4980, Dave Heaven 4900, Len McNeice 4820 and Frank Schlotter 4590. For her first place triumph Muriel received the "THTH" Special Award. Her friends agree that she truly is "Too Hot To Handle."

Tuesday, January 14 Stanhope Fire Hall Seniors Social Club Mixed Shuffleboard: In first with 332 was the team of Syd Lockhart and Pearl Cowen,

followed by Betty Lockhart and Shirley Alderton 305, then Belle Walker and Laura Carnegie 291. Low score of the afternoon went to Leroy Eager and Barbara Gamble 151, with Barbara also receiving many birthday good wishes from her friends at the Club.

Tuesday, January 14 euchre at the Lochlin Community Centre: The high scores for men/ladies were captured by Harold Harvie and Isabelle Saunders, with the low scores of the evening going to Hazel Benetin and Joyce Schellenberg. Lone hands winner Chris Hill congratulated our reporter, Barb Carpenter, on winning the special draw.

Wednesday, January 15 duplicate bridge at Park Lane, Haliburton: With a lower number of players out, the Howell System was in play. There was an unprecedented three-way tie for first place, with the exact same score of 57.29% The winning pairs were Ev and Fred Vanderland, Judy Neimann with Ross Davies, and Muriel McIntosh teamed with

Ross Fletcher. Special congratulations go to Muriel McIntosh on her "hat trick" winning all three bridge events in the same week.

Wednesday, January 15 bid euchre at Stanhope: A celestial shower of single moonshots rained down on Howard Smith, Chris Clarke, Don Burch, Willie Cox and Dick Coffey, while Jack Cox and Marcel Roussel each had two. Sharon Evans led the pinks with 288, followed by Gayle McConnell 283, and tied for third were Jean Scadden and Muriel Harrington 268. With 275 Bill Sandford took top spot for the white cards, then Chris Clarke 272 and Dick Coffey 253.

Wednesday, January 15 Kinmount Seniors euchre at the Kinmount Legion Branch 441: In the high score department Isa Hilyer was joined by Harold Harvie with Mary and Ted Wilkins recording the lows. The most lone hands were held by Joanne Freeman, while Bill St. Thomas and Ted Wilkins took the special draws.

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We've gathered, got comfy, had a little social time so now it's time to get down to what we came for. Thank you for reading each week. We enjoy bringing you our happenings and we hope you enjoy reading them. *The Minden Times* has been very kind to publish them each week and we would like to say thank you to those hard working people who keep us up to date on the news affecting our community.

We can't believe how time flies when we're gabbing so we had better get going or it will be lunch time. Speaking of lunch, last Thursday (January 9) we treated ourselves to Chinese food. It was delicious and having it in the cafeteria made it feel like we really got out to lunch. Funny what a little change can do for you. We had no problem being served or getting to the cafeteria as our faithful volunteers were there to look after us as usual. We had fun with our fortune cookies. Most were flattering and positive so we believe they must be true.

The next morning we had to go to Keep Fit to work all that wonderful food off. That food and some left over from the holidays. Unfortunately dieting and exercise after the holidays seems to be as traditional as the holidays themselves. That afternoon we sang for ourselves at Happy Hour. We're not as good as those talented people who come and entertain us, but we do amuse ourselves when we have Karaoke. We have two wonderful entertainers in Lilian Millar and Keith Brannigan. Well done both of you - half the talent is having the courage to try. We especially enjoyed a lovely song that staff member Connie Sawyer sang to us. Thank you Connie. We'll have to get you out of the kitchen more often.

On Saturday we always try to have a game of bingo. Thank you to Pearl and Maxine who make this possible. You are real troopers ladies. Vera Stevens needed only one number so she waited and waited but to no avail. Sometimes being that close is worse than not having anything on your card. Oh well we're sure the anticipation got the blood flowing.

We had more entertainment downstairs on Sunday when Jack and Ruth came to visit. Thank you for a lovely afternoon of song.

After the weekend it was time to get back to work so

SENIOR LEAGUE

News from Hyland Crest

Monday morning it was off to Keep Fit once again. That afternoon we gathered at Residents Council and began the task of elections for 2003. The results are: Lilian Harrison - Treasurer, Margaret Besse - Secretary, Roy Nicholls - Vice President and Gerald Coulter - President. Congratulations to each and everyone of you, we are well represented again this year.

Tuesday Chapel Service was held with Linda Robertson helping out as Pastor Millard spent his morning, as we expect many others did, trying to get his car started. That was a cold day! Fortunately we all sat warm inside judging the temperature by reports from incoming staff and visitors. Patti Prentice and her mother-in-law Lenore Prentice joined us in a memorial for Patti's mother, Pat Pimm. That afternoon Dottie and Brenda fought the cold and were here to help us with crafts. There was no report on what our crafters were up to, but with Valentines Day just around the corner and our big Family Dinner taking place, hearts and cupids may have been a part in things.

Wednesday once again was Keep Fit. We understand exercise is best when done at least three times a week, so each Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning we enjoy this refreshing get-together.

Cards are held Wednesday afternoons, however one regular card player had more enjoyable plans. Margaret Besse enjoyed visiting with her grandson and his wife, who have two children. They were visiting all the way from British Columbia, so Margaret and family made the best of it. Wednesday afternoon Maria Pawluch, Margaret Foote, Loretta Nesbitt, Mary Goldsmith and Blanche Wright were busy cutting out hearts and cupids as decorations for our upcoming Family Dinner to be held February seventh.

Last night we had a side-splitting evening with Jeff Barry. Jeff has often come to play and sing for us, but last evening at Pub Night he performed his version of the great Elvis Presley. He sang "Are You Lonesome Tonight"

and had everyone laughing; Nelson LeClair laughed so hard he had tears running down his face. It was a wonderful way to end the day. Thank you Jeff or should we say Elvis.

That is all we can think of for this week. Do be careful and come and join us next week for more happenings from Hyland Crest. We found this quote today and it reminded us of Jeff and the enjoyment he brought us. "Enjoy life ... This is not a rehearsal."

NOTICES



County of Haliburton RAIL TRAIL MASTER PLAN

The County of Haliburton invites firms experienced in the development of recreation trails to submit a proposal to create a master plan for the abandoned rail corridor from the southern boundary of the County (at Kinmount) to the Village of Haliburton.

An information package containing details of the project is available to interested firms after 8:30 a.m. Monday, January 13, 2003. Firms wishing to receive this information package may contact Mrs. Shirley Kirk at (705) 286-1762.

Questions regarding the Request for Proposal or the Rail Corridor may be directed to Mr. Roy Haig, C.E.T., Engineering Services Manager via telephone (705) 286-1762, fax (705) 286-4881, e-mail rhaig@county.haliburton.on.ca.

Proposals must be sent to the attention of Mr. Jim Blake, Chairman of the Haliburton County Rail Trail Committee, c/o The County of Haliburton, P.O. Box 399, 11 Newcastle Street, Minden, Ontario, K0M 2K0, no later than 4:30 p.m., Friday, February 14, 2003.



County of Haliburton

Class Environmental Assessment Replacement of the Twin Multiplate Culverts on County Road 503 at Gooderham

NOTICE OF STUDY COMMENCEMENT

The County of Haliburton has identified the need to replace the existing twin multiplate steel culverts located on County Road 503 (approximately 300 metres west of the intersection of County Road 507 and 503 at Gooderham) to address structural deficiencies.

The project is being planned under **Schedule B** of the **Municipal Class Environmental Assessment**.

For further information on this project, or to inspect a copy of the Class Environmental Assessment, please contact:

Mr. Roy Haig, C.E.T.
Engineering Services Manager
County of Haliburton
P.O. Box 880, 3 St. Germaine Street
Minden, ON K0M 2K0
Telephone: 705-286-1762
Fax: 705-286-4881
Email: rhaig@county.haliburton.on.ca

Or
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Public input and comment are invited, for incorporation into the planning and design of this project, and will be received until February 14, 2003. Subject to comments received and the receipt of necessary approvals, the County of Haliburton intends to proceed with the planning, design and construction of this project, to be completed by the fall of 2003.

This Notice issued January 10, 2003

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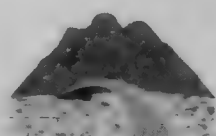
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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 300(1)(a) of the Municipal Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended, that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills proposes to consider, and if deemed advisable, to pass at its regular meeting to be held in the Municipal Council Chambers on Milne Street, Minden, Ontario, on January 30, 2003 at the hour of 9:00 a.m., by-laws to stop up, close and convey those parcels of land more particularly described as follows:-

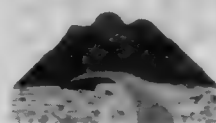
1. File No. SRA-02-02
Applicant - **ROBIN WALTER, IRENE MACLEAN AND JAMES HAWKEY**
Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Gull Lake, lying in front of Lot 14 and 15, Concession 11, geographic Township of Lutterworth, designated as Part 1 on a Plan of Survey 19R-7442, registered October 30, 2002.
2. File No. SRA-02-13
Applicant - **JOYCE BROWN**
Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Salerno Lake, lying in front of Lot 33, Concession 4, geographic Township of Snowdon, designated as Parts 2, 7 and 8 on a Plan of Survey 19R-7435, registered October 21, 2002.
3. File No. SRA-02-12
Applicant - **JOYCE BROWN, SANDRA BROWN AND LESLIE SOEVER**
Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Salerno Lake, lying in front of Lot 33, Concession 4, geographic Township of Snowdon, designated as Part 4 on a Plan of Survey 19R-7435, registered October 21, 2002.
4. File No. RA-02-03
Applicant - **STUART SMITH, CHRISTINE SPENCER AND JANET SMITH**
A portion of the former Twelve Mile Lake Road being Part of Lot 13, Concession 11, geographic Township of Minden, designated as Parts 3 and 4 on a Plan of Survey 19R-7445, registered November 1, 2002.
5. File No. SRA-02-11
Applicant - **MARILYN DIPPELL AND JOHN DIPPELL (TRUSTEES)**
Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Horseshoe Lake, lying in front of Lot 11, Concession 7, geographic Township of Minden, designated as Part 3 on a Plan of Survey 19R-7447, registered November 4, 2002.
6. File No. SRA-02-06
Applicant - **KEVIN MCGILLIVRAY**
Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Little Boshkung Lake, lying in front of Lot 12, Concession 13, geographic Township of Minden, designated as Part 2 on a Plan of Survey 19R-7443, registered October 31, 2002.
7. File No. SRA-01-03
Applicant - **EMILY COOKE**
Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Mountain Lake, lying in front of Lot 10, Concession 9, geographic Township of Minden, designated as Part 1 on a Plan of Survey 19R-7437, registered October 23, 2002.

The above noted plans of survey are available for inspection in the former Lutterworth Municipal Office, Hwy. #35 South of Minden, Ontario during regular office hours.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that before passing the said by-laws at the meeting to be held at the time and place above-mentioned, the Council shall then and there, hear in person or by his or her counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his or her land will be prejudicially affected by the said by-laws and who applies to be heard.

DATED AT THE Township of Minden Hills, this 30th day of December, 2002.

Brendan Bérubé
Planning Administrator



THE TOWNSHIP OF MINDEN HILLS

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NOTICE OF NOMINATIONS

Notice is hereby given to the Municipal Electors of the Township of Minden Hills

Nominations in the Township of Minden Hills for the offices of:

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Councillor	One (1) to be elected for Ward 2, representing the geographic Township of Lutterworth
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may be filed at the office of the Clerk, for the Township of Minden Hills, at 7 Milne Street, Minden, during regular office hours from January 2, 2003, to 5:00 p.m. on September 26, 2003. The term of office is from December 1, 2003 to November 30, 2006.

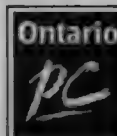
Nomination papers are available in the Clerk's Office at the Administration Office, Minden. Candidates must provide proof of qualifying address within the Township of Minden Hills and pay the appropriate prescribed nomination filing fee. The filing fee is payable by cash, certified cheque or money order, payable to the Township of Minden Hills.

Please Note:

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For additional information, please contact:

Twyla Nicholson, Deputy Clerk
Township of Minden Hills
Box 359, Minden, Ontario. K0M 2K0
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Haliburton Victoria Brock Provincial P.C. Association

Notice of Nomination Meeting

Members in good standing with the Haliburton Victoria Brock Provincial PC Riding Association are invited to attend and participate in the nomination meeting to select the PC Candidate for the next general election.

Date: Saturday, February 15, 2003

Time: Registration from Noon - 1:30pm
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New memberships **MUST** be purchased by 1:30pm on Friday, January 31, 2003.

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THE FAMILY OF the late Jane C. Graham would like to thank relatives, friends and neighbours for their support and kindness during Jane's illness and passing away December 4. Many thanks to the doctors and nurses in Lindsay and Haliburton Hospitals, and nurses and staff at Extencicare Haliburton. Thanks for all the cards and phone calls, your messages and condolences were most heartening and to the spot. Thanks to Rev. Chris Greaves for the service at the funeral home and comforting words at the hospital and Extencicare. To Gordon Monk Funeral Home for the help and kindness during this time of grief and difficulty. To the Canadian Legion for lunch and get together after the service. To the ambulance drivers, always ready and helpful. In fact, thank you one and all for the kindness, help and kind words during this difficult time. Memories will remain - always, as will good friends. Phil, Gordon, Jane E. and Gillian.

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THE FAMILY OF the late Ludwig Reiss would like to thank relatives, "the Girls", and friends for all their support, caring, kindness, phone calls, food, cards, flowers and donations, during his sudden passing. Your help and encouragement was amazing, we can never thank you enough. Special thanks to Dr. Bottum, Dr. Gammon, the staff of the Haliburton Hospital, the ambulance drivers and firemen for his care, to Dwaine and the staff of the Haliburton Community Funeral Home for their guidance, to Pastor Lacey for his prayers and wonderful service and to The In House Chef for the great luncheon. Ludwig will be greatly missed by his family and friends but will always be fondly remembered. Agnes and Margaret.

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LEE JAMES "JIM" CONGDON
Passed away suddenly at home in Lochlin on Wednesday, January 15, 2003
In his 64th year.

Beloved husband of Beryl (nee Stevenson). Loving father of Gloria and her husband Randy Barnum of Haliburton, Lisa and her husband André Lambier of Pontypool, Teresa and her husband Chris Potier of Bowmanville. Loving Gramps of Courtney, Kristin, Kelsey, and Shelby. Dear brother of Marie and Russell Baker, Dave and Marilyn Congdon, Riila and Bob Davis. Sadly missed by Simms. Fondly remembered by many nieces, nephews, family and friends. Friends were invited to visit the family at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., 127 Main St., Minden, K0M 2K0 (1-888-588-5777) on Thursday, January 16, 2003 from 7-9 p.m. and on Friday, January 17, 2003 from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. A Masonic Service was held on Friday evening at 8:30 p.m. Funeral Service was held in the Chapel on Saturday, January 18, 2003 at 1:00 p.m. Spring interment at the Ingoldsby Pioneer Cemetery. Memorial donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation would be appreciated by the family.

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MURIEL STEPHENS, January 11, 2003: Peacefully at Ross Memorial Hospital, Lindsay, in her 89th year. Wife of the late Rev. M.A. Stephens. Mother of George of Brampton, Mary Jordan of Victoria, Ruth Goldthorp of Dunrobin, John of Toronto and Faith Aggett of Minden. Will be sadly missed by 14 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren. Memorial services were held at St. Paul's Anglican Church, Minden, Tuesday, January 14 at 1:30 p.m. As expressions of sympathy, donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation would be appreciated by the family.

ROBERT JOHN WILLIAMS
Passed away suddenly at home in Minden, on Saturday, January 11, 2003
In his 78th year.

Robert was the favourite brother of Margaret, Betty, Joanie, Billy, Jackie, and predeceased by brother Don. Family and friends are invited to a Memorial Service at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., 127 Main St., Minden, on Saturday, January 25, 2003, at 2:00 p.m. Cremation has taken place. Memorial donations to the charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family. CA

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TRAVISS, GORDON ROY: At Pinecrest Nursing Home, Bobcaygeon, on Thursday evening, January 16, 2003, in his 89th year. Beloved husband of Bertha (Bernie) Fletcher and the late Mildred Macklem. Loving father of Sharon Jones of Coboconk, Wesley (Joe) of R.R. 1, Kirkfield, William and his wife Barb of Thompson, Manitoba and stepfather of Elizabeth (Mrs. William Maloney), Fay (Mrs. Gene Davis), both of R.R. 1, Kirkfield. Fondly remembered by his 9 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren. Dear brother of Gerald and Bruce, both of Keswick. Predeceased by his sisters Irene, Glendene, and brother Leonard. Friends were invited to call at the family's residence, 71 4th Line, Head Lake, Ontario on Saturday evening, January 18, 2003 from 7-9 p.m. only. A Private Family Service will be held. Spring interment Pinegrove Cemetery, Norland. As expressions of sympathy, donations to the Alzheimer's Society or the CNIB would be greatly appreciated by the family. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the COBOCONK COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME, Hwy. #35, Coboconk, Ontario (705) 454-3913. CA

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WILLIAM "BILL" SHAW HEATON
Bill died suddenly in his Minden home on January 14, 2003. Bill was born in Toronto on August 28, 1929 and attended Queen Alexandra Public School. He was predeceased by his parents James and Mary Heaton and brother James. Bill started his career at an early age with the Pickering Farms Grocery chain and progressed to manager. He loved the peaceful life of Haliburton and left Toronto to open The Cupboard on Horse-shoe Lake with his business partner Bust Cramp in 1952. After the death of his partner in 1974 he went to work for the Red Cross Hospital in Minden and retired in 1989. His entire life was devoted to his poodle Nicki. "Uncle Bill" will be sadly missed and lovingly remembered by his adopted family, Shirley Stewart and daughters Catherine (Ted Kent), Linda (Randy Harding) and Heather (Kevin Davis) and daughters Alexandra and Victoria. He was a long time devoted friend of the late Ross Stewart. Fondly remembered by his special friends at the Minden Animal Hospital and all of his friends in the Minden area. Bill will be sadly missed by those who knew and remembered him. His wishes are being honoured by no funeral service. Memorial donations to the Canadian Hearing Society or to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (H.H.H.S.F.) would be appreciated and can be made through the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., 127 Main St., P.O. Box 427, Minden. CA

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- **January 22:** Alzheimer Society of Peterborough & Area, Haliburton Family Medical Centre, 4 York St. P.O. Box 492 & Community Living Haliburton County. The Sunny Side of Stress & Delirium, Depression, Dementia: What Can Staff Do? & The Family Experience: Caregiving is an Act of Love with Consequences. At the Delta Pinestone Resort Haliburton, Ontario. Time: 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Registration deadline: January 15th, 2003. For more information or to register, please contact Haliburton office (705) 457-8335.
- **January 25:** Robbie Burns Night at 7:30 p.m. at the Royal Canadian Legion in Haliburton. Entertainment by Haliburton Highlanders Pipes and Drums, Scottish Dancers, Highland Dancers, Music by D.J. Piping in the Haggis, Address to the Haggis, Buffet dinner with haggis. Advance tickets available at Legion Br. 129 Club Room & Varty's Jewellery.
- **January 26:** Alzheimer Society of Peterborough & Area presents the second annual Walk for Memories at 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Sir Sandford Fleming College, Steele Centre, 599 Brealey Drive, Peterborough. Join Us! Contact The Alzheimer Society for information 705-748-5131 or 1-800-561-2588
- **January 26:** The Alzheimer Society of Peterborough & Area is holding its 2nd Annual INDOOR "Walk for Memories" fundraiser from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the Steele Centre of Sir Sandford Fleming College's Brealey Campus in Peterborough. If you're interested in walking, volunteering or for more information, please contact David Irwin, Fund Development Coordinator, at the Alzheimer Society Office. (705) 748-5131 or toll free 1-800-561-2588. This event takes place in conjunction with January Alzheimer Awareness Month.
- **January 28:** Lunch Day at C.H.A.C.E. Resource Centre (Minden). We will be making chicken noodle soup and homemade pretzels. No cost, please call to sign up 286-1770.
- **January 29:** "Playing with your Baby" Workshop at C.H.A.C.E. Resource Centre (Minden) at 1 p.m. Nancy Ballantyne will be our guest speaker. There is no charge to attend and childcare is available. Please call to register 286-1770.
- **January 31:** The Haliburton-Kawartha Maple Syrup Producers Association will be holding their Annual General Meeting at the Buckhorn Community Centre which is on Lakehurst Road about 1.5 km west of the traffic lights north of the Canal in Buckhorn. We invite all our old friends and welcome everyone who is interested in Maple Syrup to attend. The meeting begins at 9:30 a.m., so please call now to register 705-657-2134.

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